IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re	Application of:)	
		:	Examiner: Jagadishwar R. SAMALA
DENNIS ROWE, ET AL.)	
		:	Art Unit: 1618
Application No.: 10/739,451)	
		:	Confirmation No.: 9345
Filed: December 17, 2003)	
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For:	CHEWABLE SOFT CAPSULES)	
	CONTAINING UNGELATINIZED	:	
	STARCH)	December 6, 2010

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

A. Introduction

I. Applicants petition to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2009, the period of extension having already been extended by a Petition and Notice of Appeal filed on May 6, 2010, for a period of five (5) months, from August 6, 2010, to and including December 6, 2010. A Request for Examination is being filed concurrently herewith. The extension fee has been submitted electronically herewith via Deposit Account No. 50-3939. Any overpayment or underpayment should be charged to or credited to Deposit Account 06-1205.

II. This is in response to the Office Action dated November 6, 2009, the period for response having been extended by the above petition and payment of the extension fee. Please amend the application as follows and consider the following remarks.